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Child Death, Near Death, and Stillbirth Commission & Delaware Healthy Mother and Infant Consortium TISSPCAT September 30, 2014

MEETING MINUTES

	DISCUSSION	<u>ACTION</u>
Attendance	Angela Birney, Anne Pedrick, Sue Graham, Marj Hershberger, Kathy Lefebvre, Pam Jimenez, Heather Baker and Christina Kupsick	
	Meeting called to order at 9:30 AM and introductions were made.	
Minutes	Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes from May 2014 were approved.	
Subcommittee Activity	Cops n' Cribs program in full swing at NCCPD. Lt Teresa Williams trained all officers during roll call. Safe sleep kits provided.	
	Anne and Angela attended A Collaborative Approach to Infant and Child Death Scene Investigations on May 13 th & 14 th held in Pocono Manor, PA. The training focused on a single investigation from the initial 911 call to the prosecution of the perpetrator. Break-out sessions included interviewing skills, doll re-enactments, crime scene photography, autopsy, and court proceedings.	
	On June 7 th , Angela had a display table at the Presbyterian Church of Dover Street Fair. Approximately 100 participants stopped by for informational pamphlets and promotional give-away items. From this event, the GFWC Federation Guild invited Angela to join them at their November meeting to give a short presentation on the Cribs for Kids program, and to be awarded a donation check for the purchase of one pack n' play and crib sheet for the program.	
	On July 23 rd , Angela attended the Women & Baby Health Fair sponsored by LaRed Health Center, held at the Greenwood United Methodist Church. Approximately 50 participants were educated on Infant Safe Sleep and received promotional give-away items.	
	Marj and Heather are meeting with WIC for presentation in NCC; contacting Dover to schedule for Kent County.	
	Marj provided Infant Safe Sleep training to the DAPI students in Camden and Georgetown.	
	Marj and Anne (with Jim Carroll on conference call) met with Chief Goode of the Wilmington Fire Department on May 20 th to discuss minor glitches in the program. A follow-up letter was sent to partners addressing program guidelines and offered assistance. No responses have been received from the letters. Possible idea to recruit volunteers to speak with volunteer agencies; clinic managers are asked to hold free clinics for flu shots, possibly have them offer same with safe sleep.	

Old Business

Cribs for Kids update: Year to date, 195 cribs were approved for distribution (88 K/S and 107 NCC). There were 9 referral denials in K/S for non-compliance with education & training, and previously receiving a crib from the program; there were 28 referral denials in NCC for refusal of DPH involvement, previously receiving crib, etc.

The DHMIC media campaign has been completed. DHMIC met at the beginning of the month. They noted materials were "flying off the shelf" and they do not have the appropriate funds to maintain the supply and demand. The push is now on utilizing your own resources to print/copy the material, focusing on the website and other online resources. Due to the lack of funds, the second piece of the campaign to reach out to providers has been halted. A conference is being planned for the spring for pediatricians on the topics of nutritional education and prescription education; could possibly roll safe sleep into the conference. Pam will be holding pediatric training for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS), and could include safe sleep as well.

A subsequent safe sleep initiative is the poster contest which focuses on the middle school-aged children, today's babysitters and tomorrow's parents. The contest was proposed to the Department of Education and approved during the summer, program launched in August. Students that wish to participate will work with the art and health teachers of their respective schools. The students will be educated in infant safe sleep, and create a poster. Each school will submit one winner to TISSPCAT, for both fall and spring semesters. TISSPCAT will vote on the entries and decide the overall winner. The winning artwork will be pictured on a tote bag, which will be filled with other infant safe sleep materials, and given to at-risk parents from various medical facilities. Prizes will be offered to winners and runners-up.

New Business

CDNDSC has been awarded the Sudden Infant Death in the Young (SDY) grant through the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The grant was approved for \$45,575 for four years. The fundamental goals of the program are to develop and implement a state-wide multidisciplinary training for first responders to improve child death scene investigations, to improve the child death review process, to acquire DNA sampling for selected SDY cases, and to implement a community based prevention action plan based upon the surveillance of the SDY data. This grant will revise the NCC and K/S Child Death Review (CDR) Panels. The NCC Panel will become the SDY Panel, handling only cases that fall into this category (unsafe sleep, undiagnosed cardiac event in teens, etc.), while the K/S Panel will become the CDR Panel, handling all other cases (natural causes, motor vehicle incidents, suicides, etc.).

Six-month follow-up letters were sent to hospitals regarding their Infant Safe Sleep policy; hospitals were given a deadline of June 30th to return the surveys with a copy of their in-house policy. The majority of the responses have been received.

Future projects are on hold due to staffing issues.

Abusive Head Trauma (AHT) program: Marj reviewed the hospital survey results for the new All Babies Cry AHT program. The system can track when the families load the program, and when they actually play the video. From January to April, there were no loads/plays in

Spanish; since April there have been two loads and one play. Averaging half plays vs loads. On the consent form, parents are denying the follow-up phone call or not providing contact information. The group needs to brainstorm on how to get the information out & how to educate the parents. Kristine will take on the campaign to get education into the post-partum floor. Pam will check with legal to see if she can put the parent's contact information on the survey form, as is done for the Cribs for Kids program referrals. Another idea is to offer a raffle for a gift card to Babies R Us, or some other local store.

Other Business

Articles of interest were handed out; the group was asked to save any articles they may find from various sources that would be of interest to the committee and share at the next meeting.

Next Meeting

December 2nd, 9:30 - 11:00 AM; Christiana Care Hospital, Ammon Center, Room 11.

Respectfully submitted by: Angela Birney